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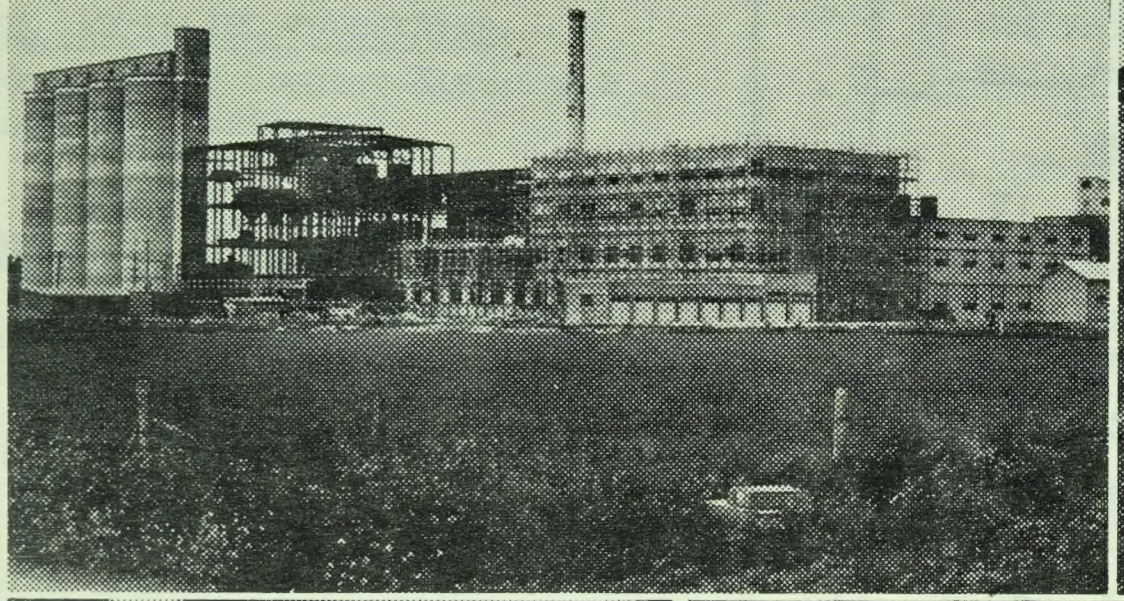

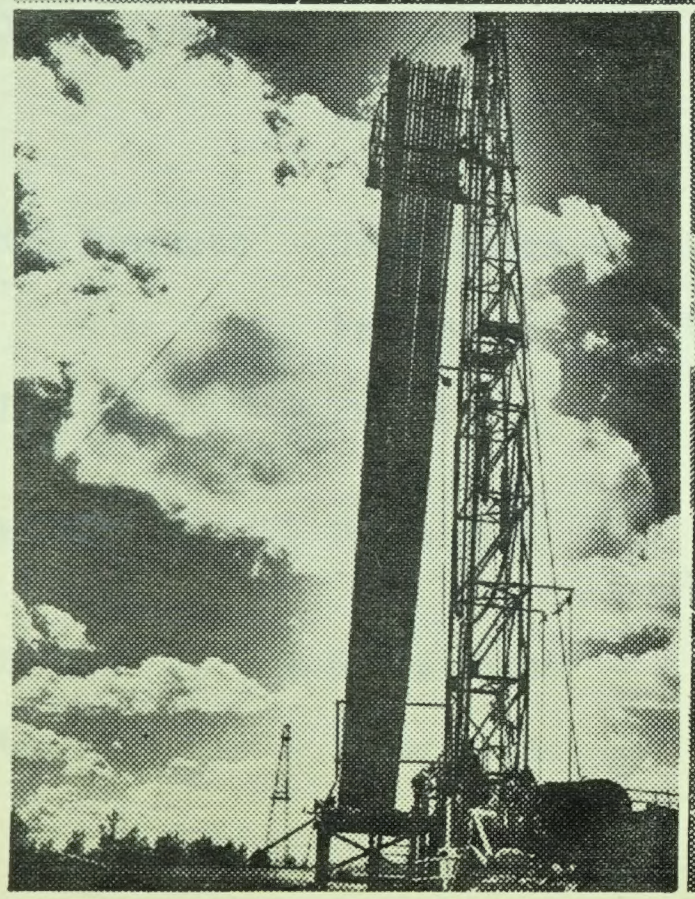

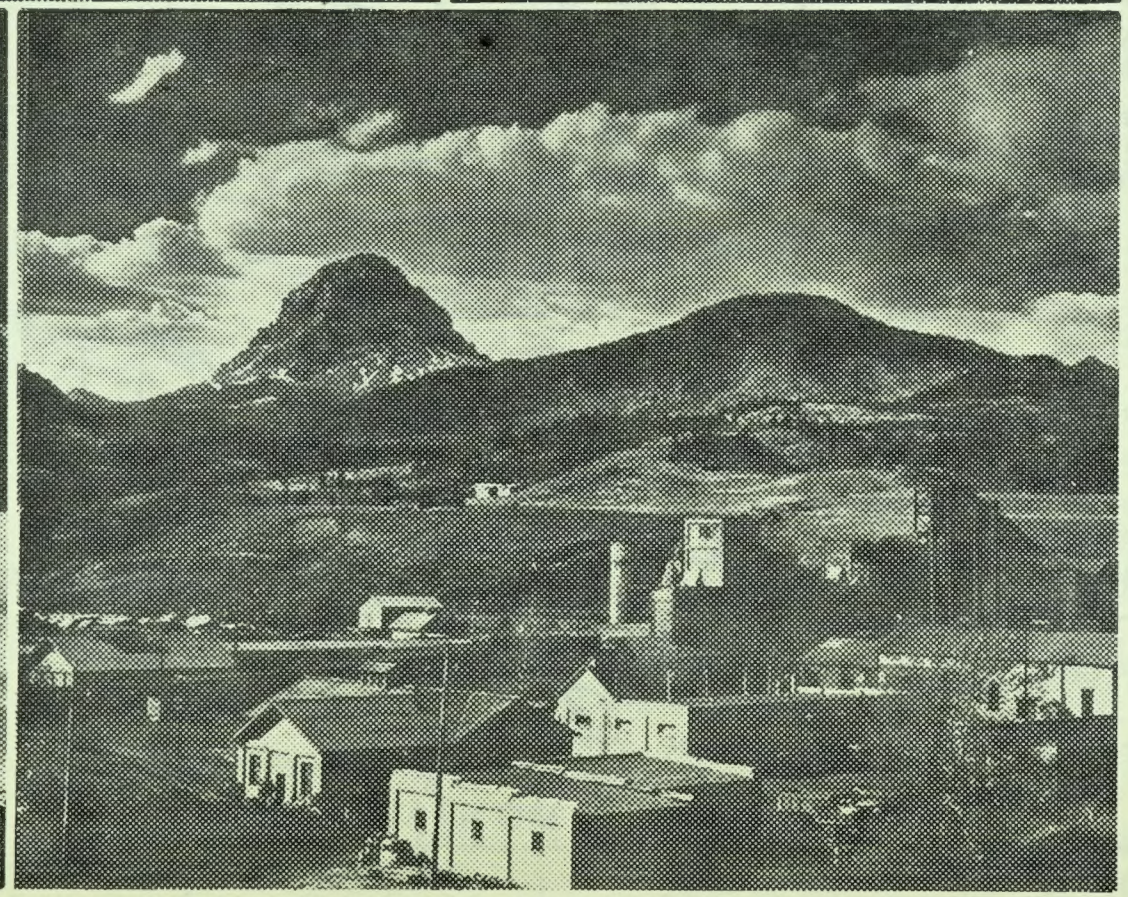

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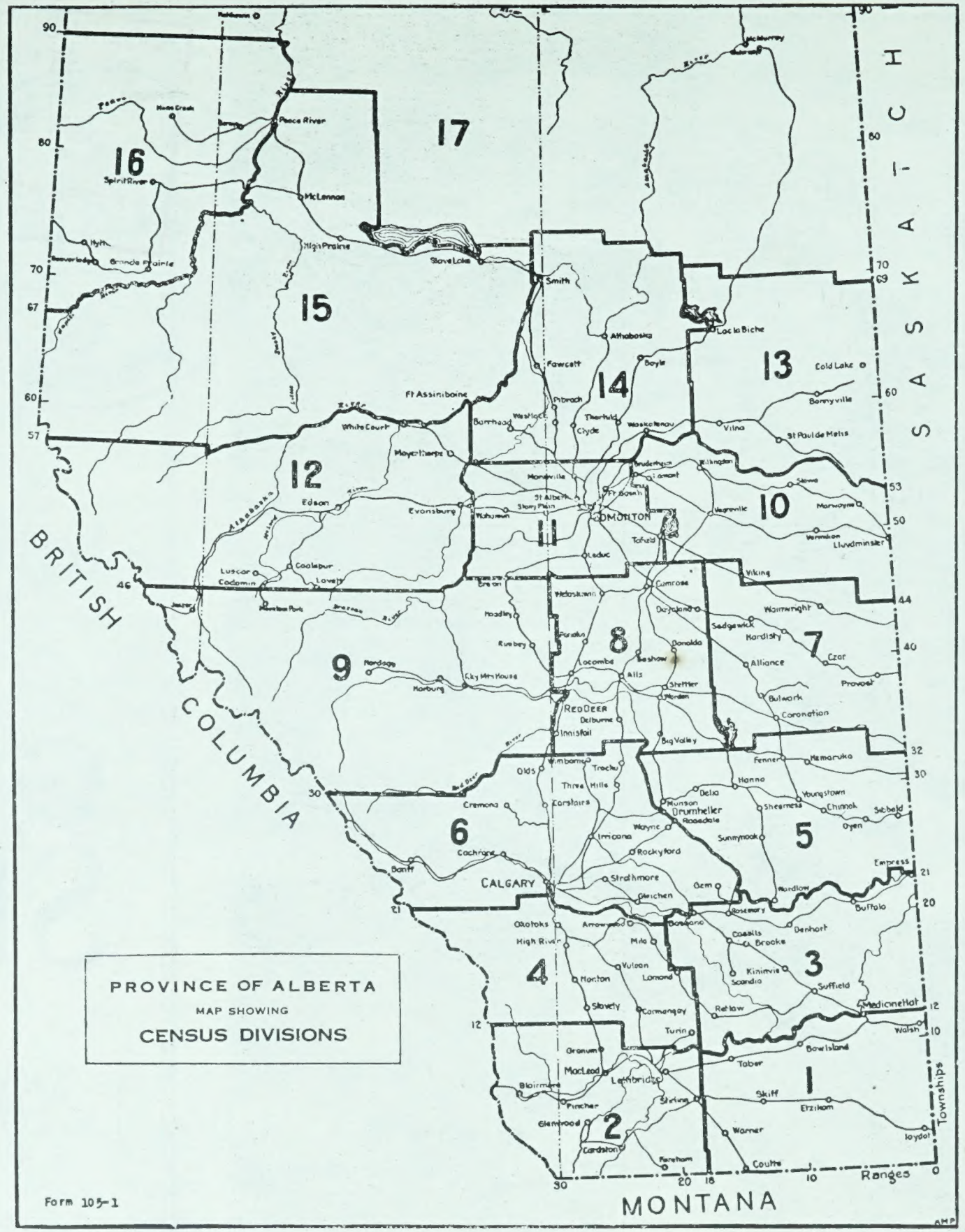
SUMMARY of GENERAL STATISTICS

THREE

MONTHS ENDING MARCH 1953.
AS COMPARED WITH CORRESPONDING PERIOD IN THE YEAR 1952.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SUMMARY OF GENERAL STATISTICS

THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 1953, AS COMPARED WITH CORRESPONDING PERIOD IN THE YEAR 1952.

		CROP YEAR 1951 (9 Mos.Ending 1 May,1952)	CROP YEAR 1953 (9 Mos.Ending 30 Apl.1953)	INCREASE (9 Mos.)	DECREASE (9 Mos.)	PERCENTAGE (9 MOS.) INC. %	PERCENTAGE (9 MOS.) DEC. %
AGRICULTURE AND ALLIED INDUSTRIES:							
Farmers' Marketings: Country Elevator & Platform Loadings:							
WHEAT	Bushels.	94,238,000	100,558,000	6,320,000		6.71	
OTHER GRAINS	Bushels.	60,362,000	75,721,000	15,359,000		25.44	
Oats	Bushels.	25,609,000	25,259,000		350,000		1.37
Barley	Bushels.	31,101,000	45,185,000	14,084,000		45.28	
Rye	Bushels.	2,749,000	3,622,000	873,000		31.76	
Flaxseed	Bushels.	903,000	1,655,000	752,000		83.28	
		1951 (12 Mos.)	1952 (12 Mos.)	1952 (3 Mos.)	1953 (3 Mos.)	PERCENTAGE (3 MOS.) INC.%	PERCENTAGE (3 MOS.) DEC.%
Flour Mills (8 firms) - Gross Sales -	$.	27,084,262	29,582,681	7,263,226	7,329,645	.91	
Production -	Barrels.	3,523,790	3,574,585	827,973	835,275	.88	
	Value $.	33,082,390	31,790,297	7,414,086	7,841,268	5.76	
Woollen Mill Products - Gross Sales -	Value $.	326,286	260,929	64,511	16,108		75.03
Production -	Value $.	153,848	156,923	27,297	23,341		14.49
Creamery Butter - Production -	Lbs.	28,960,087	27,659,868	3,629,931	4,264,267	17.48	
	Value $.	17,766,086	16,250,172	2,354,919	2,568,214	9.06	
Factory Cheese - Production -	Lbs.	2,079,895	2,022,391	272,768	380,451	39.48	
	Value $.	830,570	672,445	101,438	131,255	29.39	
Dairy Factories - Gross Sales -	$.	30,072,663	32,549,433	6,260,958	7,399,074	18.18	
Concentrated Milk - Gross Sales -	Cases.	444,260	333,498	103,371	88,616		14.27
Production -	Cases.	288,169	343,036	55,838	69,522	24.51	
	Value $.	1,658,540	2,024,401	357,658	411,314	15.00	

SUMMARY OF GENERAL STATISTICS

THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 1953, AS COMPARED WITH CORRESPONDING PERIOD IN THE YEAR 1952

AGRICULTURE - ALLIED INDUSTRIES:			1951 (12 Mos.)	1952 (12 Mos.)	1952 (3 Mos.)	1953 (3 Mos.)	PERCENTAGE (3 MOS.) INC.%	DEC.%
Packing Plants	Gross Sales	$.	101,787,039	118,110,263	20,763,839	26,769,324	28.92	
	Production - Meat	Lbs.	197,161,551	272,152,774	50,351,496	74,225,582	47.41	
		Value $.	83,298,451	83,362,658	16,997,761	21,118,656	24.24	
" "	Exports - Cattle -	No.of Hd.	26,880	25,713	5,468	168		96.93
		Value $.	7,268,803	5,372,482	1,289,677	29,084		97.74
	Calves -	No.of Hd.	2,678	3,315	218	125		42.66
		Value $.	261,038	228,100	20,223	8,721		56.88
	Sheep & Lambs -	No.of Hd.	11,078	6,091	2,501	132		94.72
		Value $.	357,412	137,515	70,866	2,677		96.22
	Swine -	No.of Hd.	74,668	72,385	18,728	14,610		21.99
		Value $.	3,928,318	2,906,387	775,849	562,194		27.54
	Meat -	No.of Lbs.	94,953,022	137,653,730	18,534,472	35,541,782	91.76	
		Value $.	40,377,286	42,206,559	6,286,139	10,079,220	60.34	
LIVE STOCK MARKETINGS:								
	Cattle -	No.of Hd.	393,870	382,637	61,226	95,610	56.16	
		Value $.	106,206,190	77,369,241	14,457,847	16,387,656	13.35	
	Calves -	No. of Hd.	95,404	84,332	8,522	15,877	86.31	
		Value $.	9,619,427	5,890,750	816,360	1,111,401	36.14	
	- Swine -	No.of Hd.	957,773	1,362,142	289,454	409,387	41.43	
		Value $.	51,453,055	54,407,587	11,924,110	15,753,515	32.11	
	Sheep & Lambs -	No.of Hd.	96,924	133,086	32,784	34,271	4.54	
		Value $.	2,894,212	2,824,455	901,829	681,699		24.41
EXPORTS:								
	Horses -	No.of Hd.	5,796	1,923	316	547	73.10	
		Value $.	249,175	97,224	14,509	30,309	108.90	
	Cattle -	No.of Hd.	204,644	153,915	19,796	36,150	82.61	
		Value $.	55,089,213	30,670,339	4,743,332	6,197,839	30.66	

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THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 1953, AS COMPARED WITH CORRESPONDING PERIOD IN THE YEAR 1952

MINERALS AND ALLIED INDUSTRIES:			1951 (12 Mos.)	1952 (12 Mos.)	1952 (3 Mos.)	1953 (3 Mos.)	PERCENTAGE (3 MOS.) INC.%	PERCENTAGE (3 MOS.) DEC.%
Coal	- Production	Tons.	7,661,276	7,194,472	2,086,894	1,557,337		25.38
		Value $.	41,000,953	39,974,318	11,185,039	8,084,350		27.72
Petroleum-Crude	- Production	Barrels.	45,915,384	58,915,723	10,503,441	14,207,079	35.26	
	Value of Sales	$.	115,809,221	139,657,915	26,057,697	33,033,703	26.77	
Natural Gas	- Production	M.C.F.	85,380,121	95,697,432	28,546,422	30,976,934	8.51	
Salt	- Production	Tons.	19,770	24,388	5,276	5,333	1.08	
Petroleum-Crude & Refined	- Imports	Gallons.	37,775,684	58,889,974	11,501,119	15,712,911	36.62	
	- Exports	Gallons.	1,210,574,465	1,573,143,989	191,574,181	244,634,657	27.70	
Petroleum Products Refined	- Gross Sales	$.	82,661,515	103,790,871	19,342,315	21,090,885	9.04	
	- Production	Gallons.	551,362,978	682,094,238	161,664,873	173,413,259	7.27	
	- Imports	Gallons.	5,383,642	10,509,239	979,653	3,079,881	214.38	
	- Exports	Gallons.	162,117,937	184,651,859	32,837,025	35,286,491	7.46	
Propane and Butane	- Production	Gallons.	11,657,842	16,726,807	3,614,446	4,915,414	35.99	
	- Sales	Gallons.	9,501,616	15,106,381	3,545,655	4,033,305	13.75	
Natural Gasoline	- Production	Barrels.	515,027	579,873	161,465	161,711	.15	
	- Value of Sales	$.	1,663,854	1,662,514	468,015	459,866		1.74
Sulphur	- Production	Tons.	-	8,932	1,248	4,153	232.77	
	- Sales	Tons.	-	4,225	-	2,013	-	
Clay Products	- Gross Sales	$.	3,694,019	3,721,742	778,590	779,408	.11	
Cement & Cement Products	- Gross Sales	$.	9,032,198	11,852,345	1,458,812	3,039,151	108.33	
Cement	- Production	Barrels.	1,682,417	1,907,792	385,752	822,615	113.25	
		Value $.	3,978,948	4,828,185	953,366	2,092,493	119.48	
Lime	- Gross Sales	$.	443,714	516,841	77,305	58,905		23.80
	- Production	Tons.	30,669	34,306	3,175	2,257		28.91
		Value $.	399,870	479,692	32,415	28,970		10.63

SUMMARY OF GENERAL STATISTICS

THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 1953, AS COMPARED WITH CORRESPONDING PERIOD IN THE YEAR 1952.

			1951 (12 Mos.)	1952 (12 Mos.)	1952 (3 Mos.)	1953 (3 Mos.)	PERCENTAGE (3 MOS.) INC. %	PERCENTAGE (3 MOS.) DEC. %
OTHER NATURAL RESOURCES:								
Forestry	- Production	Lumber-Ft.b.m.	374,524,001	391,101,000	268,058,000	319,632,000	19.24	
		Value $.	14,980,960	15,644,024	10,722,320	12,785,280	19.24	
		Total Value $.	18,054,286	18,944,000	11,625,000	13,686,000	17.73	
Fisheries (3 Mos.)	- Production	Lbs.	8,399,088	9,656,981	1,972,319	2,251,154	14.14	
		Value $.	862,327	942,888	315,363	272,196		13.69
Fur (Wild Life)	- Production	No. of Pelts	1,720,214	2,021,690	1,127,744	768,670		31.84
		Value $.	2,460,053	1,751,874	874,720	613,296		29.89
TRADE AND INDUSTRY - GENERAL:								
Wholesale Trade	- Gross Sales	$.	487,932,105	548,568,468	107,403,773	124,457,091	15.88	
Retail Trade	- Gross Sales	$.	818,365,000	903,965,000	183,210,000	201,851,000	10.17	
Machine Companies	- Gross Sales	$.	180,438,436	220,446,060	15,088,711	17,519,559	16.11	
Miscellaneous Machinery, Service & Supplies	- Gross Sales	$.	(See Machine Companies)		22,584,843	22,020,772		2.50
New Motor Vehicles	- Gross Sales	No.	36,958	41,189	7,813	11,490	47.06	
		Value $.	88,715,064	103,107,790	20,109,116	28,717,437	42.81	
CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY:								
Contracts Awarded Alberta		No.	5,019	6,169	618	995	61.00	
		Value $.	183,075,100	231,191,300	72,634,600	49,637,500		31.66
Building Permits	- 7 Cities	No.	9,867	13,014	1,285	1,864	45.06	
		Value $.	66,437,396	100,085,129	5,956,193	14,325,431	140.51	
MISCELLANEOUS:								
Bank Clearings	-	$.	2,963,850,119	3,594,105,352	742,324,065	936,119,629	26.11	
Bank Debits	-	$.	6,241,574,585	7,857,888,767	1,681,032,000	2,066,229,000	22.91	
Customs' Duty Receipts	-	$.	10,990,155	14,835,809	2,643,695	4,170,082	57.74	
Electric Power	- Consumption -	K.W.Hrs.	1,021,077,000	1,163,293,000	297,563,000	330,980,000	11.23	
Tourist Trade - Cars - Customs' Ports	-	No.	54,483	62,590	4,336	5,697	31.39	
Visitors, National Parks, excl. Banff West Gate.		No.	877,199	1,027,766	49,337	62,206	26.08	

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PREVIOUS CALENDAR YEAR STATISTICS FOR TWELVE MONTHS - 1952 - AS COMPARED WITH CORRESPONDING PERIOD IN THE YEAR 1951.

			1951	1952	INCREASE	DECREASE	PERCENTAGE INC.%	PERCENTAGE DEC.%
AGRICULTURE:								
Agricultural	- Production	Gross Value $.	751,211,000	767,108,000	15,897,000		2.12	
Wheat	- Production	Bush.	152,000,000	172,000,000	20,000,000		13.16	
		Value $.	229,520,000	266,600,000	37,080,000		16.16	
Other Grains	- Production	Bush.	249,074,000	259,700,000	10,626,000		4.27	
		Value $.	221,275,000	239,798,000	18,523,000		8.37	
Forage Crop Seed etc.	- Production	Value $.	4,859,000	6,013,000	1,154,000		23.75	
Potatoes	- Production	Bush.	2,354,000	3,256,000	902,000		38.32	
		Value $.	4,049,000	4,884,000	835,000		20.62	
Sugar Beets	- Production	Tons.	349,194	480,000	130,806		37.46	
		Value $.	5,007,000	7,200,000	2,193,000		43.80	
Fodder-Crops	- Production	Tons.	2,166,400	2,275,700	109,300		5.05	
		Value $.	38,357,000	35,149,000		3,208,000		8.36
Wool	- Production	Lbs.	1,612,000	1,908,000	296,000		18.36	
		Value $.	1,088,000	916,000		172,000		15.81
Honey & Wax	- Production	Lbs.	4,500,000	4,900,000	400,000		8.89	
		Value $.	569,000	618,000	49,000		8.61	
Animals Slaughtered and Sold		No.	1,572,389	1,967,184	394,795		25.11	
		Value $.	166,346,000	133,434,000		32,912,000		19.79
Dairy Products	-	Value $.	47,258,000	45,375,000		1,883,000		3.98
Poultry Products	-	Value $.	30,057,000	24,285,000		5,772,000		19.20
Fur Farming	-	Value $.	2,826,000	2,836,000	10,000		.35	
NATURAL RESOURCES:								
Mineral	- Production	Total Value $.	168,144,211	197,333,166	29,188,955		17.36	
Forestry	- Production	Total Value $.	18,054,000	18,944,000	890,000		4.93	
Fisheries	- Production	Total Value $.	862,327	942,888	80,561		9.34	
Fur (Wild Life) (July 1 to June 30)	- Production	Total Value $.	2,530,978	1,765,849		765,129		30.23
TRADE AND INDUSTRY - GENERAL:								
Wholesale Trade	-	Gross Sales $.	490,000,000	550,000,000	60,000,000		12.24	
Retail Trade	-	Gross Sales $.	818,365,000	903,965,000	85,600,000		10.46	
Manufactures	-	Total Value $.	433,060,000	461,865,000	28,805,000		6.65	
Construction	- Contracts Awarded	No.	5,019	6,166	1,147		22.85	
		Total Value $.	183,075,100	232,332,800	49,257,700		26.91	
Building Permits	- (4 Cities)	No.	9,545	12,491	2,946		30.86	
		Total Value $.	65,146,774	96,978,083	31,831,309		48.86	
Defence Contracts Awarded		No.	170	114		56		32.94
		Total Value $.	13,318,538	27,014,090	13,695,552		102.83	

BUILDING PERMITS - (7 CITIES)

1952 (4 Mos.) No. of Permits	1952 (4 Mos.) Value $		1953 (4 Mos.) No. of Permits	1953 (4 Mos.) Value $
1,370	$ 9,715,884	CALGARY	1,445	$ 13,015,471
1,161	$ 6,106,574	EDMONTON	1,567	$ 13,315,058
179	$ 1,050,690	LETHBRIDGE	197	$ 3,863,296
105	$ 437,905	MEDICINE HAT	144	$ 1,087,630
59	$ 423,020	RED DEER	67	$ 697,100
8	$ 6,295	DRUMHELLER	12	$ 30,925
14	$ 75,700	WETASKIWIN	25	$ 377,740
2,896	$17,816,068	TOTAL (7 CITIES)	3,457	$ 32,387,220

CONSTRUCTION - ALBERTA - (4 MONTHS)

	No. Of Contracts	VALUE $
To April 30th (4 Mos.) - 1949	1,049	$ 34,653,300
To April 30th (4 Mos.) - 1950	1,086	$ 42,839,900
To April 30th (4 Mos.) - 1951	1,243	$ 37,049,500
To April 30th (4 Mos.) - 1952	1,131	$ 96,265,300
To April 30th (4 Mos.) - 1953	1,922	$ 74,323,300

VISITORS TO NATIONAL PARKS & RESERVES - ALBERTA

TO - APRIL 30th	1952 (4 Mos.)	1953 (4 Mos.)	INCREASE NO.	DECREASE No.	PER-CENT INCREASE %	PER-CENT DECREASE %
Banff	68,925	82,853	13,928		20.21	
Elk Island	1,430	3,050	1,620		113.29	
Jasper	2,934	2,934	-		-	
Waterton Lakes	2,955	2,356	-	599		20.27
TOTAL - 4 MOS.	76,244	91,193	NET INCREASE 14,949		NET INCREASE % 19.61	

AUTOMOBILES ENTERING CUSTOMS' STATIONS FOR TOURING PURPOSES - ALBERTA

TO - APRIL 30th	1952 (4 Mos.)	1953 (4 Mos.)	INCREASE NO.	DECREASE NO.	PER-CENT INCREASE %	PER-CENT DECREASE %
Aden	36	71	35	-	97.22	
Carway	276	449	173		62.68	
Coutts	5,806	7,282	1,476		25.42	
Del Bonita	518	369		149		28.76
Wild Horse	21	96	75		357.14	
TOTAL - 4 MOS.	6,657	8,267	NET INCREASE 1,610		NET INCREASE % 24.19	

DETAILS OF REFINERIES' PRODUCTION

FIRMS DESIGNATED AS:	GASOLINE GALS.	DIESEL FUEL GALS.	KEROSENE GALS.	OTHER FUEL GALS.	MISC. FUEL GALS.	TOTAL GALS.
A-	3,390,030	1,785,105	11,830	2,275,175	575,085	8,037,225
AA-	4,420,850	895,930	103,110	1,028,965	-	6,448,855
B-	270,445	-	-	-	-	270,445
BB-	17,623	78,635	60,937	706,473	70,000	933,668
D-	1,085,477	311,294	163,129	87,011	-	1,646,911
E-	-	-	-	383,121	-	383,121
G-	143,854	112,837	-	5,328,759	-	5,585,450
H-	5,615,843	166,765	709 ✱	1,050,333	-	6,832,232
J-	12,936,912	4,864,626	100,853	3,288,652	-	21,191,043
K-	-	-	-	1,449	2,996	4,445
L-	1,204,420	-	-	-	-	1,204,420
M-	-	15,279	4,778	128,472	-	148,529
N-	4,824,050	277,410	245 ✱	1,487,185	-	6,588,400
O-	-	-	-	189,630	-	189,630
TOTAL	33,909,504	8,507,881	443,683	15,955,225	648,081	59,464,374

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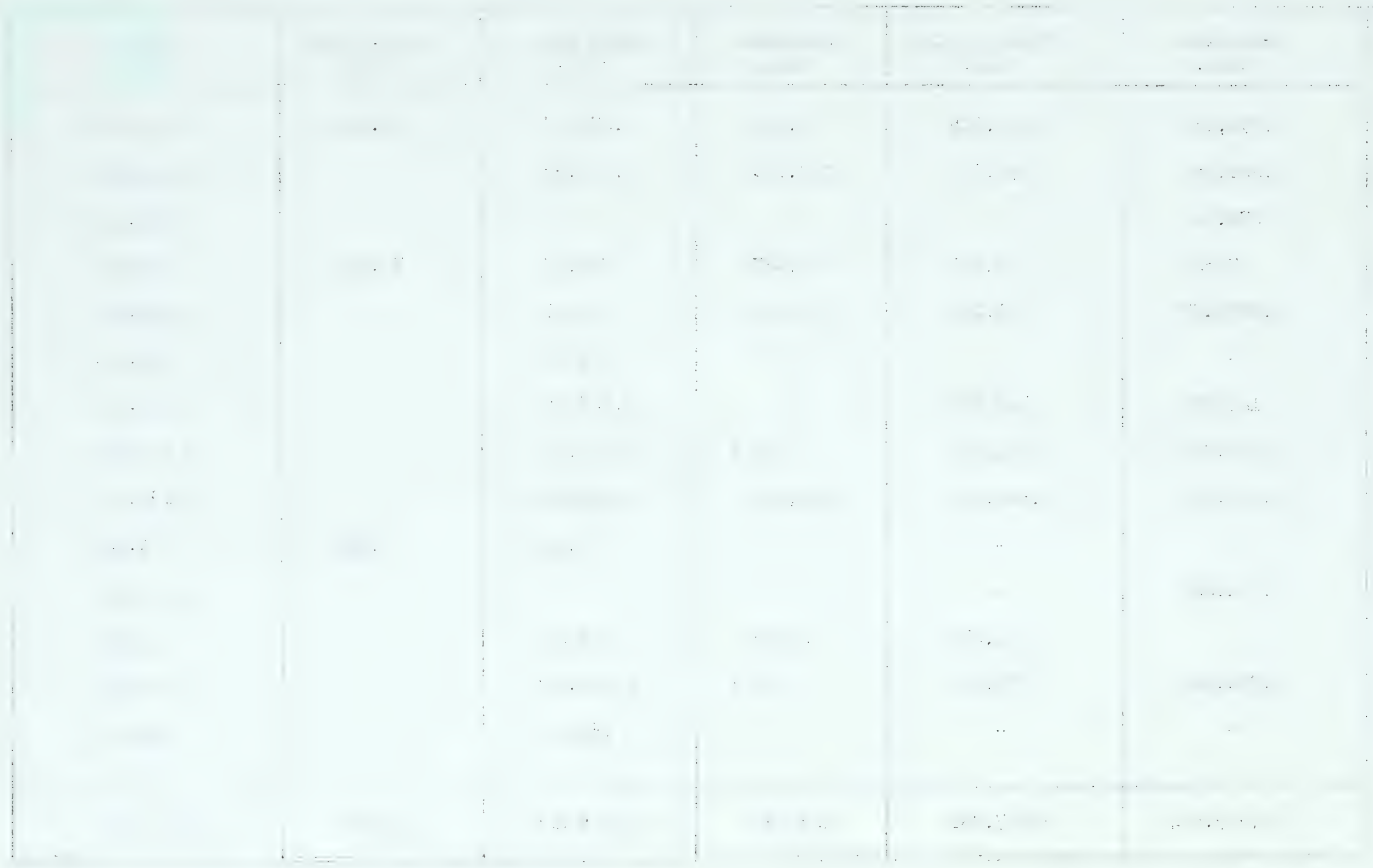

DETAILS OF WHOLESALE TRADE - ALBERTA

THREE MONTHS ENDED 31 MARCH, 1953, AS COMPARED WITH CORRESPONDING PERIOD IN 1952.

(according to the undermentioned classifications)

	1952 (3 Mos.)	1953 (3 Mos.)	INCREASE $	DECREASE $	INCREASE %	DECREASE %
TOTAL - WHOLESALE TRADE	107,403,773	124,457,091	17,053,318		15.88	
Automotive Accessories, Equipment and Supplies	17,063,889	24,046,302	6,982,413		40.92	
Drugs	2,016,260	2,011,318	-	4,942		.25
Dry Goods	6,717,569	7,656,549	938,980		13.98	
Electrical Appliances & Radios	9,628,236	11,063,846	1,435,610		14.91	
Furniture	680,664	973,149	292,485		42.97	
Groceries (including Fruits and Vegatables	34,655,728	37,679,676	3,023,948		8.73	
Hardware	13,223,305	14,082,403	859,098		6.50	
Lumber and Building Supplies	7,735,740	10,427,207	2,691,467		34.79	
Paints and Varnishes	1,165,819	1,396,946	231,127		19.83	
Paper	2,269,565	2,428,054	158,489		6.98	
Tobacco	3,546,535	3,976,720	430,185		12.13	
Miscellaneous	8,700,463	8,714,921	14,458		.17	

DETAILS OF RETAIL TRADE - ALBERTA

THREE MONTHS ENDED 31 MARCH, 1953, AS COMPARED WITH CORRESPONDING PERIOD IN 1952

(according to the undermentioned classifications)

	1952 (3 Mos.)	1953 (3 Mos.)	INCREASE	DECREASE	INCREASE %	DECREASE %
TOTAL - ALL TRADES	183,210,000	201,851,000(a)	18,641,000		10.17	
Grocery and Combination Stores	23,158,000	24,076,000	918,000		3.96	
Meat Stores	3,829,000	3,597,000		232,000		6.06
Country General Stores	15,344,000	15,243,000		101,000		.66
Department Stores	13,893,000	15,882,000	1,989,000		14.32	
Variety Stores	1,617,000	1,903,000	286,000		17.69	
Motor Vehicle Dealers	32,729,000	35,281,000	2,552,000		7.80	
Garage and Filling Stations	9,650,000	11,715,000	2,065,000		21.40	
Men's Clothing Stores	3,522,000	3,700,000	178,000		5.05	
Family Clothing Stores	1,840,000	2,172,000	332,000		18.04	
Women's Clothing Stores	3,043,000	3,492,000	449,000		14.76	
Shoe Stores	909,000	1,019,000	110,000		12.10	
Hardware Stores	4,316,000	5,051,000	735,000		17.03	
Lumber & Building Material Dealers	9,646,000	12,367,000	2,721,000		28.21	
Furniture Stores	2,864,000	3,239,000	375,000		13.09	
Appliances and Radio Stores	3,003,000	(b)	-	-	-	-
Restaurants	7,516,000	7,427,000		89,000		1.18
Coal and Wood Dealers	291,000	(b)	-	-	-	-
Drug Stores	4,023,000	4,323,000	300,000		7.46	
Jewellery Stores	1,245,000	(b)	-	-	-	-
Tobacco Stores	819,000	(b)	-	-	-	-
All Other Trades	39,953,000	45,557,000	5,604,000		14.03	

(a) Any slight differences between totals and their components are due to the rounding of the figures and to figures being withheld to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(b) Not available.